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Discretion of speech is more than eloquence, and to speak agreeably to him with whom we deal is more than to speak in good words or in good corder.

Our Mayor.

Our Mayor.

We prefer a Mayor who does some wrong and foolish things and some very good ones to a Mayor who does nothing. An occasional outbreak into absurdities may be overlooked philosophically in view of a consistent course of enterprise, viginance and energy. Nothing is better for a community than to have its local government constantly prominent before its observations and with its thoughts. Of course, a sedate, cool-headed and dignified Mayor would be gratifying to have and maybe some day we will find and elect a man who combines all the destred qualities. As the case stands, however, we As the case stands, however, we our deciding friends that if The Leader helped to elect Mayor Mo

That is chivalrous, just and sensible. Mayor McCarthy has done those things fairly accused of having left undone those things which he ought to He has attended to the public business. He has been like a sentinel eye and plenty of courage behind it, and if he lacks discretion, he does not lack

e required to pray once every year that

and ran the arch fakir to cover and made sort of falding has seen its day in Richmond, and the credit is due to McCarthy's

as necessary to good government and and pure and healthful,

Two Important State Questions.

The calls upon the General Assembly lie funds. But Virginia is a progressive mands upon her bounty should increase system becomes more and more expensive and our institutions for the care of the insane and the afflicted. All the de-

of the calls are imperative. In 1907, there is to be an industrial exposition in the Tidewter section, and whether the Legislature will have it so or not, the world understands it to be a State exposition, and the State cannot disown it. The president of the comagents are now visiting the States of the Union and sounding the praises of the forthcoming Virginia exposition. There has been a generous response at home and must have State buildings and she must make every provision for her exhibits and Dominion for hospitality and enterprise

is rich in minerals, in coal and iron, in granite and building stones, in clay am no geological survey for nearly a century Virginia is the only Southern State which has no survey, except the State of Flor ida, and Florida has no mineral deposits. This survey should be begun at once and should be continued until we have deposits are, their extent and their value. As much of the work as possible should is held, and this Legislature should provide the means. Such a survey would order, for inquiries are coming in all the time from investors who are looking for such deposits as Virginia soil

How Not to Restrict Immigration

The Senate is fortunate in having at the head of its Committee on Immigration such a man as William P. Dillingham. Immigration is a large subject, and the Vermont senator has brought to it both the intelligence and the close attention it deserves. He makes an excellent check on the too-radical Commissioner Sargent, Mr. Sargent is for taking active steps to cut down summarily the present large influx of allens to this country. He would aim directly at the quantity of immigration. Senator Dillingham, however, believes that our efforts should be directed toward improvng its quality.

The senator's position, we believe, is ounder than the commissioner's. Immigration has brought us its evident evils. but they are not the evils of mere numbers. Except in two or three centers, already abnormally congested, this country pouring of too many foreigners. We have not suffered from excessive immi gration. On the contrary, we have suffered, are suffering to-day, from too California's 9. Rhode Island's 407 must be considered in connection with Texas's in the South and West are at this moment simply crying out for more hands to till the soil and do the work.

The trouble with our immigration in the past has been, of course, not in amount, but in kind. We have let down the bars too indiscriminately. We have made it simple for crowded old-world countries to release upon us their unde Hence the familiar and quite well-founded warning against the. "off-scourings o applicants for admission into the United States for the year ending June 30, 1903 away. It seems safe to say that this number bould have been largely in-

Sensible restrictions on immigration are of course, highly necessary. We want or poorhouses, and every precaution look to securing not fewer immigrants plan for limitation, however, as that fixing the number of incoming aliens in and Mr. Sargent, we have little symto consider not the crowded condition bringing pressure to bear against this presumably not purely statesmanlike their ends seem for once to coincide with

Compulsion in the Constitution.

Those esteemed citizens who have such a horror of compulsory education, who imagine that a compulsory law in Virginia would mean that a policeman or dren by the collar and lead them away o the public schools, whether or not are espectfully reminded that any law which the Legislature might enact would be restricted in its provisions to the limita-

Section 138 of article IX reads:

"The General Assembly may, in its dis-rection, provide for the compulsory edu-cation of children between the ages of eight and twelve years, except such as are weak in body or mind, or can read and write, or are attending private schools, or are excused for cause by the district school traces."

It will be observed that under a State ompulsory law, all children would be exempt who were under eight and over within that age would be exempt if they could read and write, or if they were ried on in the home, and further exemption would be made of children attend school. As if that were not enough, the act would give discretion to

ers fill them out to suit themselves and no questions are asked. The upshot of it is that every property owner is a law unto himself and makes his own assessments

according to his own view and conscience We we not make this charge and we do commissioners of the revenue general adopt the method mentioncorespondent, but we have reason to believe that they are by no means as careful and painstaking and exacting as they should be; and that there is no uniformity in our system of assessments, there is abundant testimony in the tabulated reports from year to year of the Auditor of Public Accounts.

There is no more important subject than this for the General Assembly now in session to deal with. If we had in Virginia a system of assessments that would bring to book all property subject to taxation, if we had a system that would make every property holder bear his just portion of the public burden, no more, no less, we could abolish every species of double taxation and largely increase the revenues of State without increasing the rate of taxation.

Truth is No Libel.

In the celebrated Town Topics case it has been again decided that an editor may not be punished when he tells the and its morals are the better for that decision and its cause. No matter what Hapgood's motives were in the beginning, his final work was a far-reaching public service. Out of his own mouth "Colonel" Mann, of the C. S. A. (God save the mark!) stands convicted of extortion, blackmail and the purveying of scandal to scandal lovers. In the limelight are the pitiable pigeons whom this rapacious hawk has stricken down. What avails the wealth of those "social leaders" who now stand stripped of every vestige of

And how do the readers of Town Topics feel? They furnished the gallery, they supported the paper. They made it possible for the despicable brigands to wield the club of publicity. A sorry spectacle surely!

It avails nothing to say, "I only read what was printed anyhow." For every reader lent his moral and financial support to a venture that was maintained by the most brutal blackmail. The burden of responsibility cannot be so easily escaped. The reader is the abettor, The subscriber is the assistant.

Nor should Mr. Jerome be forgotten. done for himself. Mr. Jerome did for Presuming that the colonel's blood would boil at the charge of Hapgood, Mr. Jerome, to "prevent a breach of peace," instituted a suit for criminal libel. And so, unwittingly, Colonel Mann found

meanness of Town Topics are laid bare, All the world now knows the truth, but for Town Topics to repeat its history? so, this whole miserable affair will teach a lesson well worth the cost.

Now that the resignation ridicule has gotten down as far as Poultney Bigelow, we feel that Mr. Chauncey Depew's time cannot be far off.

When Mr. Roosevelt's friends say that ne will never run again, they may merely be intimating that he is qualified to win

Engineer Stevens wants a lock canal. Most of us are less particular now. We merely want a canal,

We have a perfect right to complain when the dove of peace falls to walking pigeon-toed.

Eastern lands may be getting sterile but there are some very rich fields out in

France, however, reserves the right to lick Castro at her leisure.

Colonel Mann's fragrance amounts to

positive flagrance

Penang has boycotted us. If you don't

Commissioners of Revenue.

Editor of the Times-Dispatch;
Sir,-l see that some memoer of the Legislature, has offered a bill that commissioners of the revenue le appoint of the third that the property of the right direction for many reasons.

missioneristic judges, which is a move in the right direction for many reasons.

First, there are many commissioners of the revenue that work hard to get themselves elected, in order to get the emolument of the commissioners of the revenue that work hard to get the commissioners of the reason of

she would or not, to do her part. She must have State buildings and she must make every provision for her exhibits and for sultable entertainment of distinguished visitors. The reputation of the Old Dominion for hospitality and enterprise is at stake. We must entertain our visitors as becomes our rank and fame, and we must show to the world that, although Virginia is the mother of States, she is as enterprising and progressive as any of her calidyen. An appropriation for this purpose will not be money thrown away, but money well invested, for it will undoubtedly bring many investors and settlers into the State. The amount which the State expended in advertising at the St. Louis Exposition has already been repaid many fold.

Another proposal in the same line is

Rhymes for To-Day

What Would You Do?

f your wife, say, made some jelly which could not be got to jell, Or some wantes which perversely would

not was,
Would you take it overbearing, with a lot
of gibes and swearing, Or just bide your disappointment in a

your uncle owned a smelter which was very seldom smelt, Or a razor which would almost never

raze,
Will you tell us confidential if it's strictly
inferential That you'd never show your anger in your ways?

If you owned a nascent whisker which was still the merest whisk, Or a goatee which was scarce, as yet,

a go,
Would your mortified young chin litch if
Your neighbors yelled out: "Spinach!"
Or would you gayly answer: "Yes,
that's so?"

If you had to write a sonnet when you rather wouldn't son,
Or a poem when you didn't care to po,
Would you scribble off a dribble as a
sort of quasi-quibble,
Or just stow your fountain pen and let

Merely Joking.

Trouble Coming.—"May I arsk what you call these?" asked the British visitor, turning to the man sitting next to him at the hotel table. "The cook, I believe," answered the other, "calls them buckwheat cakes." The visitor tasted them and took out his notebook. He had found material for a whole chapter in his forthcoming work on America.—Chicago Tribune.

said the grasping publisher, with enthu-slasm, "I'll put you against the world." "That isn't necessary," muttered the struggling author, "I'm up against it already, good and hard."—Chicago Tri-bune.

A Stock Expression.—"We have nothing in common," said the steel magnate to his wife. But she was not distressed. She thought it wiser to have it all invested in preferred.—Houston Chronicle.

They Mostly Are.—"Hamlett Fatt is manager for his wife this season." "How does he like the job?" "Well, he admits that she's pretty hard to manage."—Houston Chronicle.

No Apologies.
A young man in Canajoharie
Fell in love with a maid in Schenectady;
They were married in Peekskill,
Took a trip to Hoboken.
And settled in Sagaponack.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY January 27th.

1800—King John's Castle, at Old Ford, near Bow, in England, blown down by a storm. It was built in 1203 and af-forded the King a sleeping place after signing the Magna Charta.

1804—A great dinner was given at Wash-ington by members of Congress in honor of President Jefferson, Vice-President Aaron Burr and the heafts

of the departments, in honor of the acquisition of Louisiana Territory.

1807—Bonaparte confiscated the possessions of Ernst Frederick Anthony, hereditary Prince of Saxe-Coburg, for holding a commission in the Russian

1807—Action between the British ship Caroline and the Spanish ship St. Raphael, which resulted in the cap-ture of the latter, bound from Lima to Manila, with 500,000 Spanish dol-lars, 1,700 quintals of copper and a valuable cargo.

1829-The loss of the Russians in their campaign against the Turks was estimated at 50,000 men.

1830—Daniel Webster made his great speech for the Union, in reply to Robert Y. Hayne, who was a radical upholder of State rights.
1854—Russian warships given fifteen days

1854 Russian warships given fifteen days to withdraw from the Black Sea by the admirals of the allied fleets.
 1855 The French spoilation bill passed the House by a vote of 110 to 76, and went to the Senate.
 1865 F. P. Blair returned to Washington from his second trip to Richmond, and all sorts of reports were current as to the bearing of his visit on the outcome of the war.

minister to Germany and famous his-torian, reported that American credit was falling there, because no efforts were made to bring our currency to An attempt to capture the James

brothers at their home in Kearney, Mo., resulted in the killing of their young brother and the malming of their mother, Mrs. Samuels, by a bomb. 1884—William M. Evarts proposed George

1884 - William M. Evarts proposed George
F. Edmunds, of Vermont, as a Republican presidential candidate to succeed Chester A. Arthur.
 1894 - Brazilian revolutionists fired on American and German ships in the harbor of Rio de Janeiro.
 1904 - Senator Daniel addresses the Virginia Legislature and discusses Panama treaty.

1905-Largest diamond on earth found in

Post-Mortem Phenomena.

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A strange case, involving suspicion of arrial in a state of trance, is again brial in a state of trance, is again brial in a state of trance, is again brial in the erie and the revels in the erie and the tree was drowned a youth named Jean let, whose body was buried on January.

A day or two after the burial the ladionation of the authorities, which have resulted in the body leng exhumed three days after interment the was found to be in as fresh a condi-For Business Wear.

The College Boy-Dad, I think I'll tackle the Wall street game as soon as I get my sheepskin. The Old Man (drily)-Well, I believe sheepskin.
The Old Man (drlly)—Well, I believe
that's the proper apparel for young men
in that district.—Puck.

Fencing.

She-Prize-fighting is brutal, but d'd you ever know fencing to hurt any one?

He- Why, yes; the barbed wire kind.—
Yonkers Statesman. A Collegiate Pun.

She-Did you ever feel like having good cry?
He-No: but I often felt like having high bawi.-Columbia Jester.

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..JUANA..

BY TRUMAN ROBERTS ANDREWS.

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John Edgely Osborne came to Pasadena shone softly upon her. The Girl seemed from Boston. The Girl from Texas came far more beautiful than ever before, and

"And about as much sense," thought John.

Still he watched her. There was something about the dark eyes and the dark curis which interested him.

As they left the car at the foot of the incline a comb, shaken from its moorings by the restless, tossing head, fell almost at his feet. He picked it up and handed it to her.

"Oh, thanks awfully!" said The Girl. Theyah pizen foh gettin loose."

"Ouch!" thought John! but she made so pretty a picture, with head thrown back and upraised arms, as she replaced the comb, that he hesitated a moment cre he should turn away.

"Youah stoppin" at the same place as weah, ain't yon'" queried The Girl, eyeing him frankly and openly. "Ain't yon as the frankly and openly. "Ain't yon at the Green." Yes, I am at The Green, he replaced. It was suah I'd seen you thenth. Went solle O neighbols, ain't we?" she ob-

"I was such I'd seen you theah. Wear sont O' neighbohs, ain't we?" she observed, laughing so infectiously that John had at least smiled before he realized it. John himself never understood the rest of it. When they parted it was upon the paizzy of The Green, and then he smoked a cigar with her faisher. "That evening, when he came down to dinner, he was surprised to find The Girl at his elbow. "Kind o' s'prised, I reck'n, ain't yoh?" she laughed. "I remembahed 't theah was a empty seat by yoh, an' I ah d'em change me to it, seein' as we'd got to know each othah."

John was so astonished that for an

she laughed. "I remembahed 't thesh was a empty seat by yoh, an' I ah d'en change me to it, seein' as we'd got to know encodails."

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I see the see the see the see the see the chances of early, but finally managed to murmur something about "very pleased," etc. while he calculated the chances of getting away on the morning train,

"I s'pose I really ought to stay owah theah and ride herd on dad," she confessed, "He says he gits all mixed up in this new-fangled way of eatin'; an' fact, is, he don't like it at all. Yoh see, continued The Girl, confinentially, we nevah bin away from th' ranch much singe I can remembah, an' we've got to git broke into th' way yoh folks do things. Weah soht o' bronco yet, sabe?"

"Ranch life must be rather dull for a woman, commented John, "and it must be rather tough, foo, is it aot?"

"Ranch life must be rather and it must be rather tough, foo, is it aot?"

"The Girl; "an' yes, it's righ enclady, yoh know; theah ain't any die not bad, yoh know; theah ain't any die not bad, yoh know; theah ain't any die not bad, but those boys 'll git down on through knees foh a woman, A cow punchah ain't much on bowin' an' serapin', but he's got a mighty big heahs, an' a woman 's a woman in his eyes."

As they talked through the long mealor rather, she talked and he listened—John learned a great deal of The Girls dreary life on the ranch, and of her great yearning for the finer culture which sie felt existed in the wonderful outside world; and when they left the table he had, temporarily at least, laid aside his time-table calculations and plans for a precipitate departure.

Moreover, as the days, and of her great yearning for the finer culture which she time-table calculations and plans for a precipitate departure.

Moreover, as the days came and went and the see the work and the see the see the dotter of a mind not only naturally acute, but, to a certain degree trained, Also the true womanined the sup

"Is that what they say when the senoritas roll their cigarettes for them?"

"Oh, no, that's foh any time. It's jest
talk. An' th' senoritas don't much roll
the men's cigarettes—less it's his dulce."

"His what?" interjected John.

"Yoh don't know dulce?" she laughed.

"That's dulce corazon; dulce 's sweet,
an' corazon's heaht; sabe?"

"Ah, I see! Now, If we were in Mexico

"he commenced.

"Oh! oh! I'm scaiht of you!" cried
The Girl, jumping up and throwing the
dark curls from before her eyes. "I'm
all supplied to the dark of the commenced."

"It's time to go to bed. I always so canly; I'm usto doin' that way, It's ten
o'clock!" looking at a tiny was...

"Shockin'! mos' shockin'—in Boston.

Then she vanished, leaving John alone
with his thoughts.

There came a night when she was not
down to so: and dilinger done, he re-

with his thoughts.

There came a night when she was not down to dinner. He wondered why he missed her so; and, dinner done, he removed to a corner of the plazza.

He heard a cab come up the drive; then a rushie of skirts, and he recognized missed her so; and, dinner done, he removed to a corner of the plazza.

He heard a cab come up the drive;
then a rustle of skirts, and he recognized
her quick, dancing step along the verander.

She was just turning in the door when,
in the dim twilight, she caught signt of

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"I missed you," he contessed, very readily.

"Kind o' quiet, not so noisy, I s'pose," she remarked.

"Well, ph an' I went to Los Angeles this evenin, an' we stayed theat to dinnah; an' pa met some men 't he knew, an' they all went off foh a time, so that we weh late home.

"What did you do?" he asked, curiously.

ously. "While they was gone? Oh, I waited at th' hotel. What youh ben a-doin'?" "While they was gone? Oh, I watted at it' hotel. What youh ben a-doin'?" she asked.
"Nothing as usual. I've been sitting here thinking, since dinner."
"Thinkin'!" she cried, comically, "My, but yoh such need help, yoh have so much thinkin' to do, Ain't it bad foh yoh?"
He laughed; she laughed gally, and turned to go away.

turned to go away.
"You going to leave me?" he inquired But I'll come back in a "I reck'n. But I'll come back in a minute, ef yon say so."
"Do." he urged, "It's a lovely night," What a woman she was! What a woman she would be after a year or

two in the world.

Again the rustle of skirts, and with a little sigh she sank into the low chair which he had pulled 'up to his own.

"Tired?" he said, as ne heard the sigh.

"No; jest contented foh th' fust time to-day," she replied.

He felt that for some reason this ingenuous reply pleased him greatly. He tossed his cigar over the rail.

"What foh'd yoh do that?" she said, "I'm usto men smokin", and 'sides I like it; I mos' wish sometimes 't I smoked."

"Well, perhaps I'll have a cigarette in a little while," he said; "for the present we can do without."

It was considerably later in the eve-

that the light from one of the windows shone softly upon fer. The Girl seemed far more beautiful than ever before, and the was content to sit for a moment in seem to be a seem to be a seem to sit for a moment in seem to be a seem to seem to be a seem to seem to be a seem to be

'Theah.' she scolded. 'yob made me laugh an' spill all th' tobacco, an' I got to c'mmence ovah.'
"No, the Boston girl won't do," he said, decidedly. 'But how about you'—you roll cigarettes to perfection."
"Yes," she said, eying critically the roll in her hand; 'yes, cigarettes; but when it comes to thinkin', nixy, no bueno, 'I'm nece loce."

roll in her hand; "yes, cigarettes; but when it comes to thinkin', nixy, no bueno, I'm poco loco."

He drew his chair closer, and speaking rapidly, said: "Do you know. I've an idea that the thinking isn't of much importance, and that if I had you there wouldn't be nearly so much thinking to be done. Couldn't it be you, dear? Won't you by my dulse, my sweetheart, always, dear?"

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